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SUBJECT: EC PROPOSAL FOR MINIMUM IMPORT PRICES ON
PROCESSED FRUITS AND VEGETABLES

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1. AS POSTS AWARE, EC HAS BEEN CONSIDERING A MINIMUM

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IMPORT PRICE SYSTEM FOR PROCESSED FRUITS AND VEGETABLES

INTERMITTENTLY SINCE 1968; US ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS OVER THIS PERIOD HAS PRESENTED ITS STRONG OBJECTIONS TO SUCH A SYSTEM. MOST RECENT ROUND OPENED IN JUNE 1973 WHEN EC COUNCIL AGREED IN PRINCIPLE TO IMPOSE A MIP SYSTEM AND COMMISSION BEGAN DRAFTING IMPLEMENTING REGULATIONS. IN AUGUST 1973, US REQUESTED CONSULTATIONS WITH COMMUNITY ON THE PROPOSALS; ON NOVEMBER 19, US AND EC COMMISSION CONSULTED AT LENGTH IN BRUSSELS, WITH US SIDE PRESENTING

ITS ARGUMENTS AGAINST INTRODUCTION OF MIP'S. REFTEL B CONTAINS A COMPLETE ACCOUNT OF US PRESENTATION AND EC REPLIES.

2. MIP PROPOSAL HAS NOW BEEN GIVEN TO COUNCIL (REFTEL A) AND SHOULD BE FAMILIAR TO RESPONSIBLE HOST GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS. ACCORDINGLY, REQUEST YOU APPROACH HOST GOVERNMENT AT APPROPRIATE LEVEL IN SUPPORT OF POSITION EXPRESSED BY US SIDE DURING NOVEMBER CONSULTATIONS AND REQUEST THAT HOST GOVERNMENT RECONSIDER COUNCIL DECISION TO CREATE MIP SYSTEM. YOU SHOULD DRAW ON BROAD RANGE OF ARGUMENTS CONTAINED IN REFTEL B. IN ADDITION, SUGGEST YOU INDICATE THAT PRESENT INFLATIONARY PERIOD SEEMS PARTICULARLY INAPPROPRIATE MOMENT TO INTRODUCE REGULATIONS WHICH COULD INCREASE COST OF CERTAIN IMPORTED PRODUCTS. IN THIS REGARD, IN COUNTRIES SUCH AS UK AND GERMANY WHERE THIS LIKELY TO BE EFFECTIVE, YOU MAY WISH TO POINT OUT THAT ALTHOUGH COMMISSION MAY BEGIN WITH RELATIVELY LOW MINIMUM PRICE SUGGESTIONS, LATER DISCUSSION AND COMPROMISES IN THE COUNCIL COULD EVENTUALLY LEAD TO MINIMUM PRICES WELL ABOVE INITIAL COMMISSION PROPOSALS. RUSH

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